

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Swearingen et al.	§ Group Art Unit: 2144
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Serial No.: 10/815,210	§ Examiner: Shaw, Peling Andy
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Filed: March 31, 2004	§ Confirmation No.: 9510
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For: Method and System for Authorizing a Restricted Callable Status in an Instant Messaging System	§ Attorney Docket No.: AUS920030808US1

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

No fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

In response to the Office Action of September 16, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.